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February 18, 2011

Dear College Guidance Counselor or Administrator:

We are pleased to inform you that applications for the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Chicano Latino Youth Leadership Project (CLYLP) Summer Conference are now being accepted. Open to current 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade California high school students, the week-long conference will take place in Sacramento at the California State University, Sacramento campus from July 23-30, 2011. One hundred twenty (120) applicants will be selected to participate in the conference. *Students selected to participate attend at no cost to themselves or their families. The deadline to apply is April 15, 2011.*

Founded in 1982, the CLYLP is a volunteer-run, non-profit, non-partisan organization, which receives major support from the California Latino Legislative Caucus, the University of California system, the California State University system, the California Community Colleges, and over 50 private foundations and organizations. More than 3,000 California high school students have participated in the summer conference or the Los Angeles and San Joaquin Valley regional institutes with over 90% of CLYLP participants going on to attend college. Through the training and tools provided at the conference, CLYLP alumni become successful leaders in both the public and private sector, becoming, among other things, successful educators, policymakers, business persons, doctors and attorneys.

Our application for the summer program is intentionally modeled after college applications, so we ask that you assist your students in any way that you can to complete their entire applications. *Please note that there is no GPA requirement or GPA cut-off to be selected to participate in the summer conference. Moreover, we strongly encourage students with leadership potential to apply.* To be considered, students must submit their postmarked application materials no later than April 15, 2011.

The student application can be downloaded or completed on the internet by visiting our website at [www.clylp.org](http://www.clylp.org). Please note that if students submit their application on our website, they are still required to submit all the supporting materials by US mail by the deadline indicated above. They will receive a confirmation number which they will need to write on all of their supporting materials. Please encourage your students to apply.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Sincerely,

Norma Dominguez, President ('96 Alumna)



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Dear Current 10th and 11th Grade High School Students:

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Our application for the summer program is intentionally modeled after college applications. Thus, it is important that you begin putting together your application packet as soon as possible, especially allowing enough time to request and receive your high school transcripts and letters of recommendation. ***Please note that there is no GPA requirement or GPA cut-off to be selected to participate in the summer conference. Moreover, we strongly encourage students with leadership potential to apply.*** To be considered, students must submit their postmarked application materials no later than April 15, 2011.

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Sincerely,

Norma Dominguez, President ('96 Alumna)  
CLYLP Board of Directors



# The Chicano Latino Youth Leadership Project, Inc.

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## Information Sheet

### 2011 Chicano Latino Youth Leadership Project, Inc. Summer Conference:

All California high school students currently in the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to apply. The Conference will be held:

<b>Date:</b>	Saturday, July 23 <sup>rd</sup> – Saturday, July 30 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Place:</b>	California State University, Sacramento
<b>Deadline:</b>	All applications must be postmarked by <b>April 15, 2011</b>

### Background:

Since 1982, the Chicano Latino Youth Leadership Project, Inc. (CLYLP) has successfully organized a week-long leadership training conference in Sacramento, which has prepared over approximately 3,000 of California's best and brightest high school students for the many opportunities and challenges they face. Alumni of the CLYLP summer conference are leaders in the public, private and non-profit sectors, and have become successful professionals such as educators, political leaders, business persons, doctors and attorneys.

### CLYLP Summer Conference Activities:

- ✓ **Legislative Day at the State Capitol:** Students learn about the legislative process through active participation in mock hearings and interaction with legislators.
- ✓ **Campaign Development Workshops:** Students learn skills and techniques needed to organize and run political campaigns. Students then use these skills at school for class and student body elections.
- ✓ **College & Careers Day:** Students attend a College Fair and meet with community college, CSU, UC, and private college recruiters. College representatives, admissions staff, and financial aid experts provide students with information on how to apply for and succeed in college. Students also get exposure to various professional careers.

The conference also provides valuable information on Chicano Latino **culture and history** through the personal experiences of presenters and their study of related topics. The **leadership training** is presented so that students can take what they learn back to their school and community. Esteemed professionals from a wide range of fields lead many conference workshops and activities and offer opportunities to **build relationships** with mentors and role models.

### More Information About the CLYLP:

- The CLYLP is a volunteer-run, non-profit, non-partisan organization.
- Students attend the conference at **no cost to themselves or their families**. (Room and board, and transportation are included).
- Students are selected based on the following: Application, letters of recommendations, three written essays, and overall demonstrated leadership potential.
- For more information, please visit our website at [www.clylp.org](http://www.clylp.org). Application material is also posted and downloadable at this URL.

Chicano Latino Youth Leadership Project, Inc.  
P.O. Box 161566, Sacramento, CA 95816  
(916.446.1640) [Contact@clylp.org](mailto:Contact@clylp.org)  
[www.clylp.org](http://www.clylp.org)

# Chicano Latino Youth Leadership Project, Inc.

## 2011 Summer Conference

### Application Requirements and Instructions

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**To be eligible, you must:**

1. Currently be enrolled in a California high school for the 2010-2011 academic year.
2. Currently be in either 10<sup>th</sup> (Sophomore) or 11<sup>th</sup> (Junior) grade.
3. Not have previously attended the Sacramento conference as a participant.

**To apply, complete the "2011 Conference Application" Form and include the following required items:**

☐ **Recent Official High School Transcripts:** Be sure to request and enclose an official in-progress copy of your most recent high school transcript. Send it along with your completed application.

☐ **Description of School and Community Activities:** On a separate sheet, please list any school and community activities that you were/are involved in (i.e., offices held, club membership, after school activities, volunteer/paid work experience). Include grade level, length of participation, and description of the activity. Send this sheet along with your completed application.

☐ **Two Recommender Forms & Two Letters of Recommendation:** Enclose a completed Recommender Form along with each of the two corresponding letters of recommendation. One form and letter must be from an educator (i.e., teacher, principal, counselor, etc.) at your school and the other form and another must be from a community member who is not related to you. Send both forms along with your completed application.

☐ **A Complete Response to Three Essay Questions:** Please provide responses to **all three questions below**. Answers must be written on separate sheets of paper. Include your full name at the top right hand corner with the essay number for each question. Type or write legibly. Make sure your response pertains to the question asked. Responses to each essay must be 500 words or less. Completed essays must be sent with your completed application. Essays in Spanish are acceptable.

**Essay #1 – Leadership:** Discuss your leadership ability and potential. Explain why you feel you are qualified to participate in the summer conference. Discuss your expectations about the conference.

**Essay #2 – Autobiography:** Write your autobiography. Include in your discussion the names of individuals who have had a positive influence in your life.

**Essay #3 – Hypothetical Situation:** Select one of the following issues (either A or B). Take a position and present your arguments in support of that position. Re-write the question you choose at the top of your essay.

**Issue A:** What do you think are the obstacles facing students in K-12 education that may prevent them from being adequately prepared to enter college? What specific actions or programs would you recommend to better prepare them to attend college (e.g., counseling/guidance, mentoring programs, cultural issues). We encourage you to express your own unique ideas.

OR

**Issue B:** If you were the Governor of California, how would you address recent controversial issues affecting the Kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade (K-12) community (e.g., immigration, college access for underrepresented students, and bilingual education)? As a future leader, what are the skills you need to develop to be prepared to deal with these and other issues in the years to come?

☐ **Application Checklist:** Use this to assist you in ensuring that your application is complete. Check each box as you complete each document and send the checklist with your completed application. Please place the checklist on top of your application packet.

***Failure to provide any of the above requested documents may disqualify you from having your application reviewed.***

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** Your completed application (including all forms) must be postmarked by **April 15, 2011**

# Chicano Latino Youth Leadership Project, Inc. 2011 Summer Conference

## Application Requirements and Instructions Continued

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**Application Address:** Send your application and all required forms to:

CLYLP, Inc.  
Student Application Committee  
P.O. Box 161566  
Sacramento, CA 95816-1566

**Important:** *Keep a copy of your application and all documents submitted to the CLYLP Application Committee.*

**Selection Criteria:** Completed applications will be scored based on the following...

- \* Essay #1 - Leadership
- \* Essay #2 - Autobiography
- \* Essay #3 - Hypothetical Essay
- \* School and Community Activities
- \* Recommender Forms & Letters of Recommendation
- \* Overall Presentation

**For more information:** Please contact the CLYLP...

1. Via telephone at (916) 446-1640  
or toll free at 1-800-MYCLYLP
2. Via e-mail at [Contact@clylp.org](mailto:Contact@clylp.org)
3. Visit our website at [www.clylp.org](http://www.clylp.org)

**A Note to Past Participants:** *If you previously attended the CLYLP Conference, you are not eligible to re-apply as a participant.* Instead you are encouraged to apply as a Peer Counselor. To obtain a Peer Counselor application, call the CLYLP office at (916) 446-1640 or you may obtain a Peer Counselor application on our website at [www.clylp.org](http://www.clylp.org).

***Students selected to participate in the  
CLYLP 2011 Summer Conference will be notified by early June.***

A note to applicants from the Los Angeles metro area: If you are not invited to the CLYLP Sacramento conference, your scores may qualify you to attend a three-day CLYLP Institute held at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) in August 2011. If eligible, you will be contacted via electronic and/or physical mail.

The Chicano Latino Youth Leadership Project, Inc. (CLYLP)  
is a non-profit, federally exempt youth organization.





Date: \_\_\_\_\_



# Chicano Latino Youth Leadership Project, Inc.

## 2011 Recommender Form

### Sacramento, California

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#### Applicant Section

Please complete this section then provide this form along with a photo copy of the CLYLP Information Sheet to your references. Ask your references to return this completed form along with a letter of recommendation to you so that you may include this with your completed application. Be courteous and provide your references with enough time so they may complete and return this form and their letter of recommendation to you before the **application postmarked deadline of April 15, 2011**. Submit this form and the letter of recommendation in the same packet with all your application materials. The Recommender Form and Letter of Recommendation can be submitted in a sealed envelop to be mailed with the rest of your application materials.

Applicant Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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#### Respondent Section

The Chicano Latino Youth Leadership Project, Inc. (CLYLP) Student Application Committee would appreciate your judicious evaluation of the applicant. The CLYLP requires its applicants to submit all application materials in one complete packet including the **Recommender Form *and* Letter of Recommendation**. We ask that you please return this completed evaluation along with your letter of recommendation to the applicant directly. You may provide these to them in a sealed envelop to be mailed with the rest of their application. Thank you in advance for providing the CLYLP with your insights into the applicant.

Name of Respondent: \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
First Last Phone (include extension if applicable)

Position/Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address above is: ☐ home address or ☐ work address

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_ In what capacity? \_\_\_\_\_

Please rate the applicant on the qualities listed below:	Truly Exceptional (top 5%)	Outstanding (top 15%)	Above Average (top 25%)	Average (mid 50%)	Below Average (lowest 25%)
Overall	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Intellectual ability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Motivation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to work well with others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Self-confidence	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Leadership	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Potential	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maturity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

*Respondent: To strengthen your evaluation of the applicant before the CLYLP Student Application Committee, please attach a separate sheet with your personal comments as a formal letter of recommendation.*

Respondent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Chicano Latino Youth Leadership Project, Inc.

## 2011 Application Checklist

### Sacramento, California

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*Check each box as you complete each document and send the checklist with your completed application. Please place the checklist on top of your application packet when mailing.*

- ☐ 2011 Application Form
- ☐ Recommender Form & Letter of Recommendation (1)
- ☐ Recommender Form & Letter of Recommendation (2)
- ☐ Essay #1 - Leadership
- ☐ Essay #2 - Autobiography
- ☐ Essay #3 - Hypothetical Situation
- ☐ School and Activities (Attach a separate sheet)
- ☐ Official High School Transcripts

**NOTE: Please paperclip your completed application, and do not staple any of it together.**

*Don't forget to make a copy of  
your completed application for your records.*